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TORRANCE CULTURAL ARTS CENTER
3330 Civic Center Drive
George Nakano Theater

Doors open at noon
Lecture from 12:10 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Tuesdays!

Presented by Art Historian Mary Drobny

## January 2015

No Lecture

### March 3, 2015

#### **Peru Before the Spanish Arrival**

Long before the Incas there were over 3,000 years of indigenous groups living in Peru. The first stone buildings were built by the Chavin culture earlier than Mesoamerican builders. Lets see what the great cultures of Peru have left us.

## May 4, 2015

## Great works found at the Prado Museum, Madrid, Spain

The Museo del Prado is Spain's most popular tourist attraction. One of the finest collections of pre-20th century European art in the world, the Prado ranks up there with the Louvre in must-see art museums. Lets tour its supreme collection of European paintings and sculptures from the 12th to the 19th Centuries. We will see the highlights but not its vast collection of 7,600 paintings, 1,000 sculptures plus drawings and prints.

Did you know that Torrance has a contemporary art museum?
Check out our website at
TorranceArt Museum.com
for exhibit and program
information.

## **February 3, 2015**

#### California Impressionism

Artists found California had the unique landscape and light to continue the traditions of the French Impressionists with a few new twists. Come celebrate art of the turn of the century of California.

## **April 14, 2015**

#### After the High Renaissance

After the death of Raphael and the beginning of the Baroque period in 1600 a unique style of painting took over Florence and Rome followed by the rest of Italy and Europe. It's a quirky style that is aimed at emotional responses ... Come and see for yourself.

#### **June 2, 2015**

# The Ancient People of Crete – A Unique Art Style

Who were the Minoans? Despite their celebrated legacy, the Minoan civilization remains shrouded in mystery. We do not know what language was spoken on Crete, and the scripts of the early Minoan civilization have eluded translation attempts for over a century. Sir Arthur Evans, the first man to carry out extensive excavations in Crete, named the society after the mythological King Minos. Crete's Minoan landscape serves as the setting for countless legends, including the birthplace of Zeus, and the labyrinth where Theseus killed the Minotaur.

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